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Hamilton Battles Union in 60th Renewal of Old Series
Charlatans to Give Drama Production Next Thursday

Gary Tischler Has Featured Role in 'Death of a Salesman'

The Charalatans will present their fall production, Arthur Miller's *Death of a Salesman,* in Soper Hall of Commons at 8:30 p.m. next Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Tickets can be obtained beginning Friday, November 11, in Root Hall or by calling Clinton 550. Admission is free, and all seats are reserved.

Charlatans' director Ben Carroll says that "the play is the most difficult of recent Charlatan productions. The cast has been working for six weeks, and I am confident that it will pull itself together."

Because of the limitations of the Charlatans stage, the setting is more restricted than the original version. In order to represent different rooms, two platforms have been set up. One platform represents Willy Loman's bedroom, and the other represents the bedroom of his two sons, Biff and Happy.

The stage itself will be used for the kitchen, backyard, and scenes away from the house. Effective lighting will make the actors stand out against a black background. The Charlatans have also purchased some new flats and teaser material — material which hangs across the top of the stage to give a ceiling effect.

Together with Dick Flanagan and Howard Rosen, two Utica women will be making their Charlatans debut. Marion Schoninger as Linda Loman is an active person in Utica dramatic circles. She has appeared with the Utica Players in *Ten Little Indians* and *The Barretts of Wimpole Street.* She has also appeared with the Theater Workshop as Ann in *The Country Girl,* as Lavinia in *Cocktail Party,* and as Regina in both *The Little Foxes* and *Another Part of the Forest.* Mrs. Schoninger also appeared with the Gatehouse Players as Ann in *The Country Girl.*

Mary Sterling from Utica plays Miss Forsythe. She is also a Gatehouse Player and a member of the Theater Workshop.

Members of the various Charlatans committees are: set construction; Al Stripp, Bob O'Neill, Bob Leslie, Peter Germond, Jerry Walsh, and Joe Alcaro; lighting; Tom Oliver, Gerry Smith, Nick Martianoff, Henry Smith, Joe Leard, Dave Stratton, and John Martin; tickets; Bill Tennant, Bob Fay, Dick Stevens, and Bob Frese; programs; George Boveroux, and Tom Bleezarde. Leon Gane is stage manager, and John Kelton and John Moran are in charge of the house.

Forensic Forays Feature 149 Men In Hill Tourney

Miller and Wodtke Win Three Straight

Saturday the Hill was host to 149 novice debaters and judges from 19 colleges in the New York, New England, New Jersey, Pennsylvania area.

The tournament, because of its novice status and because of the varying number of teams entered from the different schools, had no winner. Hobart, the University of Pittsburgh and RPI compiled the best records, each winning five out of six.

Henry Wodtke and Bob Miller of Hamilton were one of the eight two-man teams who had a perfect score. Sixteen of the Hill's 20 novice debators participated in the tournament. Hamilton, with its own debate schedule and last minute substitutions for other schools, won 14 out of 22 debates.

The attendance at this year's novice debate tournament was exceptional. President Eugene Granof, said, "The Debate Club was pleased with the tournament, as we had double the number of colleges as last year."

"The Hamilton Debate Club," added Granof, "expresses thanks to the fraternities who allowed us the use of their dining facilities and to the faculty and students who served as judges and timers."

The Debate Club has other activities scheduled for the remainder of the month.

November 18 and 19, the Hamilton Debate Club will sponsor the fourth annual tournament for varsity and novice debaters from 15 high schools in New York State. Tournament chairman Pete O'Hara announced the topic, *Resolved: That governmental subsidies should be granted according to need to high school graduates who qualify for additional training.*

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Dean Announces Waterfight Ruling By Administration

$10 Minimum Awaits Offenders

Dean Tolles announced in Tuesday Chapel a new administration rule to prevent waterfights in dormitories.

The ruling, prompted by the recent waterfight involving Middle, North and Carnegie dormitories, provides for a minimum fine of $10 for each student involved in such a contest.

Pointing out that student and administrative views on waterfighting differ, the Dean said, "Many students feel that merely a little time is wasted and that a few men will only have to waste a bit more time cleaning up."

Tolles then pointed out four long-range effects of waterfights which students have failed to realize. Water, seeping through the walls, causes short circuits in the wires and necessitates rewiring to eliminate the fire hazard; the floors buckle from the seepage and must be replaced at a cost of $50 to $100 per room; weakened ceiling plaster must be replaced, costing $150 or more for each room; and damage to construction which has not yet reached a permanent state must be repaired.

Adopted by the administrative staff, the ruling becomes effective immediately. It states: "Students are held responsible for all damages to dormitories caused by rows and similar disturbances. Whenever damage is caused by such action as the indiscriminate use of water, the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds will determine the amount of immediate and potential damage to the building."

"The amount of this damage, plus the usual 50 per cent penalty charge will be pro-rated against all participants in the disturbance, but in no instance will the charge be *less* than $10 a person. If it is not found possible to determine the guilty students, the amount of the damage and the penalty fee will be pro-rated against all students living in the area of the disturbance; but similarly the charge will not be less than $10 per student.

Stating that "I cannot sincerely believe that any student wants to participate in such an affair," Tolles called upon the students to realize the unnecessary cost of a waterfight. "The money which will have to be used to repair Carnegie would have been much more useful in other places," he pointed out. He also asked for total cooperation from the student body in enforcing the rule.

Psi U's winning display in annual contest held over Homecoming Weekend TKE placed second and ELS third in the contest.

"Sports Illustrated" Carries Article By McEwen on Hamilton Athletics

Sports Illustrated magazine will carry a feature article on Hamilton athletics by President Robert W. McEwen in its November 28 issue. The theme of the article is the impact of nationwide commercialism in football on the small college.

The impetus for the article came from Public Relations Director Tim Hyde. Hyde felt that the magazine might be interested in an article by a president of a small college on the extent to which the conditions which exist in big-time football affect a small college which has maintained a tradition of purity in athletics. The article discusses the pressures which are created when the small college team wins.

In the first place, the college finds itself subject to frequent jibes concerning possible subsidization by other colleges and secondly, pressure may be exerted by the alumni for a longer and more ambitious schedule. The article then goes on to explain Hamilton's athletic policy in view of these pressures.

The magazine has already published two articles on commercialism in college football, one by President Whitney Griswold of Yale University concerning the pressures of commercialism in the Ivy League and another one on football at Ohio State University which annually allots $800,000 to maintain a top-ranking team.

A crew of photographers has been assigned by the magazine to cover the traditional Hamilton-Union game tomorrow. They will take action shots of the players in addition to taking pictures of both President McEwen and President Carter Davidson of Union College.

The names of many of the Hill's outstanding players will be included in the article as well as a brief resume of the high spots of the six games the team has played prior to Union.

The last time Hamilton received nation-wide publicity in a national magazine was in the spring of 1953 when *Life* did an eight page spread on the College in an article entitled "Pure Liberal Arts." Both *Life* and *Sports Illustrated* magazines are published by the same firm.

Pendle Hill Man To Speak Sunday

Howard H. Brinton, director emeritus of Pendle Hill, will deliver the sermon at the Chapel service Sunday evening.

A member of the Class of 1904 at Haverford College, he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and received his M. A. degree from Haverford in 1905. Brinton also earned an M.A. degree from Harvard in 1909 and a Ph.D. degree from the University of California in 1925.

Brinton has served as professor of mathematics at Guilford College, N. C., professor of physics at Earlham College, Ind., and professor of religion at Mills College, Cal. From 1936 through 1952, he was director of Pendle Hill, a graduate school for religious studies. He has also lectured in philosophy at Haverford and in religion at Bryn Mawr College.

Active in the American Friends Service Committee, he was publicity director of that organization in 1919-20, representing the AFSC in Germany. Brinton also worked with the Friends Committee in Japan in 1952-54. He was a delegate at the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam in 1948.

Classes will begin at 8:30 starting Monday morning.

209 Students Get Notes From Dean

Wednesday, 209 undergraduates received a total of 329 midterm warnings.

Seventy-seven freshmen received 130 warnings. Forty-two members of the class of 1958 each received one warning while 22 had two, eight garnered three, two freshmen received four warnings, and five warnings were given to each of three freshmen.

English composition warnings were most common in this class, with French and mathematics following in that order.

Sophomores received 111 warnings. Among the 67 recipients were 37 with one warning, 21 with two, five had three each, three men got four, and one sophomore received five warnings.

Most sophomore warnings were in either English literature, psychology or public speaking.

The junior class was given 53 warnings which went to 40 men. Twenty-nine juniors had one warning, 10 had two and one junior had four warnings.

Psychology, economics, and philosophy also ranked at the top among the 32 warnings sent to 25 seniors. One senior received four warnings, four men had two, and the remaining seniors each had one warning.

Victory Over Traditional Rival Will Better 1941 Hill Record

by Gerry Wullschleger

One of football's oldest rivalries continues tomorrow when the Continentals meet Union's Dutchmen for the 60th time since 1890. Of the previous 59 contests, Union has won 26, Hamilton has been victorious in 22, and 11 games have ended in draws.

The Continentals will be fighting for their best season since 1941, when the Buff and Blue finished with a 5-2 record. Union will be attempting to even out this year's record at 4-4, so both teams are exepected to be "up" for the contest.

Union has had an up and down club all season. After being trounced by Vermont and Amherst, they snapped back to whip Rochester and RPI by convincing margins. Hobart then defated them, but again the Dutchmen rebounded to upset Williams by a 14-6 margin. Last week Haverford tripped the Garnet, 19-13. Coach Sam Hammerstrom explained the last defeat by saying that his men were both looking back at the Williams game and looking forward to the Hamilton encounter.

LINEUP

Hamilton		Union
Fivaz	LE	Martucci
Mongeau	LT	McMahon
Houtenbrink	LG	Gilmore
J. O'Brien	C	Cocozzo
Hoyt	RG	Larmour
Carlson	RT	Huntington
Brewster	RE	Sawyer
Cline	QB	Janulionis
McDonald	LHB	McDermott
F. O'Brien	RHB	Reynolds
Hansen	FB	Lounsbury

The Dutchmen will be handicapped by the absence of star quarterback Ed Crotty, who is suffering from a broken collar bone. Second string quarterback Ed Janulionis has also been on the injured list, but it is expected that he will be able to share the signal-calling duties with Don Root.

Men to watch in the Union lineup are clutch runner Dick Lunsbury, scatback Andy Reynolds, and end Rex Sawyer. So far this season, Reynolds has a punting average of 43 yards per kick.

The Union offense runs out of the T and split-T formations. They rely mainly on their ground game although they have gone to the air with considerable success on occasion. The main task of the Hamilton defense will be to stop the Garnet belly series which scored two touchdowns in last

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Student Committee Now Drafting New Constitution

Student Senate Being Proposed

A four man committee composed of members of the Student and Interfraternity Councils reported "good progress" this week in its attempts to draft a constitution for a new and stronger student government.

The four man committee, composed of Paul Carter, '56; Bob Connor, '56; Rod Cooke, '56; and Gerry Van Dijk, '57, has completed the first stage of drafting the constitution. The committee is unanimous in its opinion that some form of more effective student government is necesary to maintain responsible leadership in undergraduate affairs.

To secure this government the committee has agreed on the formation of a "Student Senate" composed of representatives at large and class presidents. This council, 20 in number, would perform all the functions now handled by the Student Council and the IFC.

Since there would be no confusion about the jurisdiction of two separate governing bodies, and since the Senate would be large enough to be thoroughly representative of campus opinion, more efficient and dynamic student government would result, the committee stated. The Senate would perform much of its work through committees and thus would be able to cover large amounts of material thoroughly and expeditiously. "We feel that the Senate," stated the committee, "is the best means of meeting the problems of student leadership."

The committee will continue holding weekly meetings to draft the constitution and decide on the proper distribution of power and duties in the council.

Former New Zealand Ambassador Gives Lecture On Bandung Monday

Sir Carl Berendsen, former New Zealand ambassador to the United States, will be the first speaker of this year's series of lectures concerning the Far East sponsored by the Faculty Committee on Lectures, Music, and Exhibitions, to be held next Monday at 8 p.m. in the Chapel.

According to Professor Earl W. Count, chairman of the committee, Berendsen's talk marks the beginning of a "new phase" in the College lecture program. Count reports that four different speakers will appear on the Hill during the year, as part of the regular lecture series, each speaking on a central topic; the significance of the Bandung Conference. These speakers, two of whom are Westerners and two Orientals, have been obtained through the U. S. Foreign Policy Association.

The Lecture Committee has chosen the conference at Bandung, which was held last April, as the subject of this year's lectures because that conference was the first worldwide completely non-European meeting. Since two-thirds of the world's population, chiefly Asians, was represented at Bandung, many new ideas were brought forth which the Lecture Committee feels should be discussed.

Berendsen, who was one of the founders of the United Nations, has been active in world affairs

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Sir Carl Berendsen

Fine 1st Editions Offered at Auction

Librarian Walter Pilkington announced today that the library will hold a book auction next week. Included in the auction are several valuable first editions.

The books will be placed on the second floor hall of the library on Monday. Each book will have a small strip of paper in it on which bids may be written. Bidding will proceed until Friday afternoon at 4:30. At that time the auction will be closed and the student with the highest bid on each book may purchase it.

Pilkington stated that reference books with which one can determine the value of the books will be available at the circulation desk of the library. "We believe that this will stimulate interest in the auction, and allow students to obtain good books at reasonable prices," Pilkington commented.

Campus Conservatives Cry For Ike; Adlai, Dick Crushed in Straw Poll

Traditionally conservative Hamilton students named Dwight Eisenhower as their favorite presidential candidate for 1956 in a *Spectator* straw ballot taken this Tuesday in Chapel. Eisenhower, the candidate students would most like to see the Repulicans nominate, defeated Adlai Stevenson, the most popular Democrat, by a healthy three to one margin.

Eisenhower's defeat of Averell Harriman was even more decisive. In this contest, Eisenhower swamped the New York Democrat by a 10 to one margin. Harriman also lagged 24 percentage points behind Vice President Nixon. Stevenson, however, defeated Nixon by 24 percentage points.

An identical survey taken among the faculty revealed less Republican sentiments. The faculty agreed with the students that Eisenhower and Stevenson were the best candidates for the two political parties, but favored Stevenson over Eisenhower, 55 percent to 45 percent. Eisenhower maintained a mere two to one lead over 'Honest Ave' in the faculty ballots. But the faculty preferred either Harriman or Stevenson to Nixon, dubbed 'dirty Dick' on one ballot.

Nixon's unpopularity with the faculty was further evidenced in their replies to the question "What man would you most like to see the Republicans nominate for president?" Nixon with three votes trailed far behind Eisenhower and Warren and received only a two vote lead over Satan, a write-in candidate.

President Eisenhower's recent heart attack was frequently mentioned in answers to the question "Who do you think will be elected in 1956?" The students and faculty both predicted that Adlai Stevenson was the most likely winner, with Eisenhower a strong second. Nixon placed third. A tightly fought race between Harriman and Dave Garroway for fourth place ended with a one vote victory for Harriman. Carmine DeSapio was unavailable for comment on Harriman's victory. NBC has not decided whether to offer Harriman equal time with Garroway's *Today* show.

Among the dark horses suggested as possible winners in

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Progress On Constitution

It is gratifying to hear that definite progress is being made towards the drafting of a new constitution for a revised student government at Hamilton. The need for the creation of the new "Student Senate" by second semester can not be emphasized enough. The major reason for this need is the fact that the student government elected in the spring will be entrusted with the responsibility of legislating a revised social pattern under the new system of deferred rushing which will go into effect in the fall of 1959. The Trustees, in their decision in June, did not bind the student body to their proposed 95-5 fraternity non-fraternity ratio, for they did not believe that 100% opportunity for membership should be edicted by the administration. Consequently, it is within the power of the new student government to legislate 100% opportunity if it so desires. Only a responsible organization with strong campus prestige would be able to handle this problem adequately.

A second reason for the need for the quick creation of a revised student government is that the ill-defined lines of authority of the Student Council and IFC make it practically impossible for the present student government agencies to enforce student discipline regardless of whether it pertains to violations of rushing rules, house-party conduct, or initiation week violations. There have been numerous instances in the past few years where a student government organization has been unable to take action in matters of student discipline either because their authority was not clearly defined or because the organization itself was inherently weak and could not shoulder the responsibility. The merger committee consequently faces the important task of clearly outlining the responsibilities of the revised student government in regard to matters of student discipline.

It seems fairly clear then, that the committee is not merely merging the Councils. Rather it is in the process of organizing a student government which will have much more specifically-delegated authority in college affairs and, as a result, should be much more respected by the student body. In the end, however, the success of the new student government, when organized, will depend not so much on the defined powers of the constitution, but rather on the ability and responsibility of the students who will be elected to serve on it.

Fight Fiercely, Hamilton . . .

Tonight a spirited freshman class will parade around a flaming bonfire to the strains of the Hamilton College Marching Band and will lead a hoped-for throng of students to the Baker Memorial Room for generous draughts of cider and a few wholesome doughnuts. In this atmosphere of revelry the co-captains of the football team will address the hoped-for enthusiastic mob of students and spur the College community on to a fever-pitch of emotionalism over an anticipated victory over Union.

The philosophy behind this change in policy is that in previous years the traditional march to the Inn had resulted in a superficial display of college spirit, poor attendance, and a good excuse to go down to the Inn for some free beer. In addition it was felt that it offered an opportunity for the football players to partake of the free refreshment, which would lead to the dulling of their competitive edge for the next day's game. As a result, in recent years only the co-captains have spoken to the gathering at the Inn.

It is our contention that the only justifiable reason for the action taken by the Physical Education Department in moving the rally over to the Baker Memorial Room was as a safe guard against possible drinking by the football team and, since under the new policy there would be no danger of drinking, to revive the custom of having the entire football team in attendance at the rally. Maybe four years ago when many of the football team members did not care about their playing condition there would have been more justification for this change, but we think that times have changed since then.

The bonfire and traditional march to the Inn represents the only time in the whole College year when any appreciable amount of enthusiasm is generated. We feel that the success of this year's football team would insure an enthusiastic turnout for the rally at the Inn and would not be marred by a display of superficial spirit, drunken football players, and poor attendance.

Not being characterized by a rebellious instinct, however, we will be there with our cider glasses waving on high in hopes of partaking of some of the festive atmosphere.

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HERE AND THERE

by Bob Connor

From the inimitable Colgate Maroon: "There will be an organizational meeting of the Ku Klux Klan at 5 p.m. today in the Upper Lounge of the Student Union. Bring your own sheets. Burning crosses will be supplied by the National."

Words of one syllable department: (from the *Hobart Herald*), Sic: "Theta Delta Chi: We have a dog. His name is 'Warren! Please don't feed him in the Union. It makes him sick. He lives in my room. 'Warren' likes girls."

In a question and answer period at MIT last week the following exchange took place between Al Capp and members of the student body:

"Q. Where do you get such lovely girls and such repulsive men?

A. I come to places like this.

Q. Do you use Wildroot?

A. I do use Wildroot. I have been using Wildroot loyally for two years. If they renew I continue to use Wildroot. It is perfectly harmless, and makes a hell of a good salad dressing."

The following story is reprinted in its entiretly from the *East Carolinian:*

" 'Gretchen is 16 now, and I really should have a talk with her,' complained a woman over a cup of tea. 'If I only knew how to go about it!' "

The "Yale Daily News" commented on a number of women's colleges the other day. Here are a few typical quotes:

Vassar: ". . . the emblematic incertitude of having been founded by a beer barron . . . aristocratic pulchritude."

Wellesley: "Woodsy."

Sarah Lawrence: " . . . cocktail socialism with Freudian undertones"(!)

Radcliffe: " . . . a hothouse for the nurturing of intellectual petunias."

The Williams Record has reported a few facts about the financial status of the "poor Williams man:"

1. Williams students earned only $338,784.00 this summer.
2. 71.6 percent of the student body were employed.
3. Only 26 students earned over $1,000.00
4. The highest earnings were reported by a soil engineer — $3,288.00.

Headline of the week: (from the Williams Record)
"Faculty Children Exchange Meets
Deficiencies of Teachers Salaries."

Williams has a new cut system. A student will be allowed to take as many cuts as he wishes in any course. However, if he cuts any course more than five times, he must get at least a B to receive credit for it.

Lafayette college is worried by the large number of students who prefer to live in fraternities rather than college dormitories. The college is losing money on empty dormitory suites.

Bowdoin College has rejected a motion that would limit all hazing to one single 'Hell' week. Student opinion favors a several month long hazing period, the *Orient* reports.

Hamilton-Union Rivalry Once Nearly Discontinued by Danger of Violence

by Tom Kunichika

"A big, black bird, clutching in its talons the decision of the Gods of Fortune, swooped down upon the Buff and Blue at Schenectady on Saturday and played havoc with the work of men. When it had again measured the sky line, dim and foreboding its calamitous work was finished . . . There was little joy in Schenectady that night."

Thus does the Nov. 12, 1912 issue of *Hamilton Life* report that year's renewal of the football rivalry which will see its sixtieth game this weekend. Despite the final score, Union 15, Hamilton 12, the paper bravely remarked that, "at last the Team and College have come into their own."

Perhaps it was about time for the Hill to come into "its own" as the Hamilton-Union series was 22 years old at that time. The rivalry however had come close to an untimely end in 1899. A earlier *Hamilton Life* dated Nov. 18 of this year sputtered in righteous indignation, "Under the impression that we were to play with gentlemen, fellow students, and not muckers, the Hamilton management arranged the game."

"Instead of fair play," the article indignantly continued, "we received discriminating decision; instead of ordinarily courteous treatment our coach was mobbed, and our rooters were in constant danger of violence from the crowd. This from a college supposed to stand for cultivation and refinement."

Hamilton did not play Union in 1900 and 1901.

In 1902, Hill students, perhaps still eager to revenge the 75-0 trouncing received by Samuel Hopkins Adams and his original Hamilton team from Union a decade earlier, voted to renew the rivalry.

The game, once more according to *Hamilton Life*, was played in a "gentlemanly fashion." No complaints were heard this year as Hamilton won 31-0.

Since this time, Hamilton has faced Union almost continually except for the interruptions caused by war. Having won 22 games, the Buff and Blue trail the Dutchmen who have taken 26. The series may lay claim to national fame in that there have been more ties than in any other football rivalry, 11.

Yet perhaps Saturday afternoon someone will harken back to the fall afternoon of 1900 when Union was not the great game and an undefeated, untied Hill team took the field to face West Point. It was the only time Hamilton faced the Army team, perhaps a substitute for the boycotted Union. The encounter ended with Hamilton on the wrong end of a 12-0 score.

In spite of Hill competition with West Point, the season previous, 1899, stands out as even more interesting. Opening against U.F.A. Hamilton rolled to a 35-0 triumph. Seemingly dissatisfied with this the Hill returned to Utica to gain its most lopsided win in history, 87-0.

Satisfied with the blood of U.F.A., Hamilton rolled to a 35- and then defeated Colgate, R.P.I. and N.Y.U. Hamilton then lost its second game of the year to the Carlisle Indians. This was the first and last encounter that Samuel Kirkland's warriors had with the redskins, the score standing 32-0.

Reading old schedules such as that of 1899, one is impressed by the great teams Hamilton faced. Yet it soon became obvious that such schedules were impossible to maintain as the Blue suffered its worst defeat in history in 1914 before a Syracuse team which triuphed 81-0.

Yet there seems to have been extremes as to the schedule for it was but eight years earlier that Hamilton met on the field of battle no less than Cazenovia. The team appears to have been the high school crew but the idea still sounds a bit more appealing than an 81-0 loss to Syracuse. The Cazenovia contest, quite properly, was a 0-0 tie.

Probably the most impressive season in Hamilton history was that of 1918 when the Hillmen scored two points all season and lost but one game. Here again Union was instrumental. Opening the season with a 2-0 triumph over Union, Hamilton went on to a disastrous defeat losing to Wesleyan 52-0, Returning to Union, the Blue played to a scoreless tie, and the season ended. Not bad for two points.

Yet the fates could not be evaded and three years later Hamilton met its Waterloo. The team did not score a touchdown all season, until the last game.

But this would be an excessively tragic ending. There is always a silver lining even in such defeat. In this same season, the single touchdown of the year brought victory to a downcast Hamilton team in the final game, and Hamilton added another victory over Union — 7-0.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

November 8, 1955

Dear Editor:

Would you please insert in your paper a warm note of thanks, from Nancy and me, to the entire student body, for their dedication of the 1955 Yearbook to Jim? It is a fine book; and we are so appreciative of their honoring Jim, along with Harlan Woodfork, in this way.

Success and good luck to all of you. I think of you very often.

Sincerely,
Natalie L. Rogers

Straight, Serious, French Authors End Existentialism

The French Literary Scene, 1950-1955 was the subject of a lecture by Miss Germaine Bree in the Chapel Wednesday evening.

Miss Bree, an expert in modern French literature, discussed the young generation of French writers, pointing out the element of uncertainty as to the direction French literature will take, but noting a definite breaking away from the existential writing of the 1940's.

Young French authors, according to Miss Bree, are concerned with the reconstitution of common living. Their novels are not concerned with ethics or political opinion; they do possess "universal significance." Their trend is toward the straight novel story. This type of writing Miss Bree termed "unengaged literature."

Another characteristic of this literature mentioned by the speaker, is the sharply satiric as well as absurd humor. She cited examples from recent plays where this humor was employed to emphasize the helplessness of the individual in an uncertain and sometimes chaotic society. Many playwrites share this view, she said, such as Samuel Becket who represents man as "derelicts."

Approximately 100 students and faculty attended the lecture.

Choir, Symphony To Give Concert; Tribute to Rudd

The 69-voice Hamilton Choir will present its first public concert of the season at the Rudd memorial concert in Utica Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 8 p.m. in Proctor High School.

Performing as guest artists, the choir will appear with the Utica Civic Orchestra in a concert in memory of Thomas Brown Rudd, a former president of the college and college comptroller at the time of his death last April.

The Choir, directed by Prof. John L. Baldwin, Jr., will begin its program with two a cappella selections, *Adoramus Te* by Palestrina and *Ave Verum* by des Prez.

Alfred E. Prettyman, '56, will be soloist in *Rise Heart,* written by the contemporary American composer Vaughn Williams. *Blow Out You Bugles,* composed by Prof. Berian Shute of the music department, will follow Prettyman's solo.

Three trumpets and the percussion section of the orchestra will accompany the Choir in Holst's *A Dirge for Two Veterans.* Beethoven's *Hallalujah Corus* will conclude the concert. Roger Prokop, '57, will be the accompanist.

Edgar J. Alderwick will direct the Utica Civic Orchestra in the *"Rosamunde" Overture* by Schubert and the first two movements of Beethoven's *"Eroica" Symphony.*

Prof. Baldwin has a limited number of free tickets for students who want to attend the concert.

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Union Investigation Revealed Farcial Financial Status in Prexy's Salary

by Gene Granof

"Resolved, That the committee on colleges, academies and common schools, be directed during the recess to examine into the financial condition of Union College, and into the situation of the various funds bestowed on said institution by the State, and the various transfers of the funds and property of said college; that said committee have power to send for persons and papers and reports to the next legislature."

This resolution was passed by the New York State Assembly on April 11, 1849. Following the Legislature's directive, the committee on colleges, academies and common schools "assembled at Schenectady for the discharge of their duties, on the 15th of May last (1849), and held their meetings at the college, in the apartments of the president. Both the president, Eliphalet Nott, and the treasurer, Alexander Holland, were always present at committee meetings and made "very full explanations of the financial transactions of the college."

Nevertheless, their explanations were apparently not full enough to satisfy a majority of the assemblymen. Four of the five committee members, Messrs. Beekman, Button, Johnson and Disoway, signed the majority report which stated that "the financial condition of Union College is unsound and improper" and called attention to "the injudicious and unsafe investment of the funds of the college."

The controversy seemed to turn about the financial management of President Nott, a Presbyterian clergyman who was president of Union College for 62 years, from 1804 to 1866. Nott was a man of diverse interests. In addition to filling a minister's and college president's jobs, he took time out to invent a base-burning stove adapted for use of anthracite coal. He was also well acquainted with the world of finance and business and it was his financial manipulation of the Union College funds which the Legislature was interested in.

Between 1795 and 1850, New York State had given Union $331,000 of State funds to carry out its operations and, more specifically, to erect buildings, to aid needy students, and to furnish a library. The Legislature wished to know if this money had been spent wisely.

In its report, the committee on colleges, academies and common schools included a statement of the finances of Union college. Judging from this statement, these finances were certainly an intricate tangle of figures which didn't quite add up to what they should have. What is most puzzling is the overlapping of Dr. Nott's personal funds with the college's funds. For example, Dr. Nott had given Union $366,177 of his own property and had, in return, received other properties amounting to $41,340 less than what he had given to the College. Dr Nott claimed that the College still owed him $41,340 and yet either having been paid to him or there was no note of the sum included in the debts of the college.

Also, there was a long record, one which this reporter found too confusing to follow in detail, of college funds having been transferred to Dr. Nott personally, invested in his name (in many cases the investments were unsound), and then sold back to the college. This was particularly true of 3,300 shares of Mohawk Bank stock which were sold to Nott at a 50 percent discount, and then, presented back to the college and listed at par value.

Although the committee conceded Dr. Nott's financial ability and did not doubt his integrity or accuse him of using the funds of the college for personal benefit and profit, they did question "his uncontrolled power" over the investment of college funds. The committee report stated that "the example of so much financial manuvering necessarily withdrawing much of the time and care of the presiding officer from the college under his supervision, in an institution of education, is dangerous to the morals of the young, and discreditable to the trustees who have permitted it."

The committee believed that some of the investments of the college in securities were "carelessly and injudiciously taken." They questioned the high cost of the buildings and reported that "the edifices exhibited to them have cost more than their extent and finish appear to justify: $296,485.31 seems to be a sum large enough to erect the most splendid structures, instead of the rough walls and barn like interiors of the present colleges, besides, paying for the land and grading."

More than 105 years have passed since the legislature investigated Union College and reported on the shabby financial affairs of our brethren to the east. We imagine that by now, one century later, Union has had sufficient time to recover its aura of respectability and wipe away the stain of scandal. Nevertheless, we at Hamilton take great joy in revealing that Union College, like the sons of Adam, was "conceived all and born in sin."

To enourage students to attend the Union game, g and h hour classes will not meet tomorrow. Commenting on this action, Dean Tolles stated, "With this assistance, a large number of students should be in the stands at Schenectady."

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SPORTSFOLIO

By Pete Dayton

During last Saturday's game there still existed the three attitudes toward college sports that have existed over the past four years, and perhaps even more. The intellectual was still locked up in his room, afraid to miss valuable study time; the dissenter was still throwing his poison barbs, trying his best to gum up the works somehow; and the loyal Hamilton fan was sitting in the stands, trying not to cheer and succeeding rather well.

The papers reported that the crowd at the game numbered 2,500, a good size group considering the size of the college and the facilities at hand. 500 of these were on the Hobart side of the field. Did I say 500? The noise that emerged from that side of the field was enormous, closer to four times that number judging from the sound. Yet on the Hamilton side, students, dates, parents, and alumni seemed to be holding contests to see how long everyone could remain silent. Needless to say there were several winners.

If only everyone could be like the mother I saw, who was cheering her lungs out. I imagine that her son was on the field, but even so, isn't the best friend, the room-mate, the fraternity brother of everyone in the stands, playing on that field?

In the second half I was down on the field, watching the cheer leaders trying to get some sort of noise out of the crowd. I think that they were all pretty disappointed. On the field you get a very good view of what is happening in the stands, and why everyone is so quiet. You see one group sitting in the stands, trying desperately to get a nip from a bottle before the Dean sees them, the pseudo Ivy-leaguer trying to impress his date with his intellectual superiority by maintaining a disdainful silence, the alumnus telling his friends how he would run the team if he were coach (Thank God, he's not!). You can see hundreds of little groups, even in such a small body, all doing something different and taking out only a little time to cheer.

This is not a plea to cheer for your own team tomorrow. It shouldn't take a plea. It should come naturally. The trouble with Hamilton students might be that they don't want to tire themselves out. They want to be fresh for the cocktail party afterwards.

Tomorrow the Continentals travel to Union. From what I hear, there will be 600 Hamiltonians and dates at the game. The teams are evenly matched going into the game. The record of the series, dating back to 1890, is 26 wins, 22 losses, and 11 ties, in favor of Union. In the end, the game will go to the team that is up the most for the contest. The team is up for the game. Are you going to support them?

Eight Hamilton Seniors Play Final Football Game Saturday Against Union

Eight seniors will be playing their last game for the Buff and Blue when Hamilton meets Union at Schenectady tomorrow. All eight have been on the Continental squad for four years.

Foremost among these are co-captains Earl Cline and Bill Fivaz. Cline, a Psi U from Brockport, ranks as one of the top passers in Hamilton history. Last year he ranked sixth in the East in total offense with 1001 yards gained and second in passing percentage with a 53.8 completion average.

Fivaz, a 6'4" end, comes from Fulton and is a member of DU. In 1954 he was prominently mentioned for Little All-American honors. Fivaz caught 24 passes for 341 yards, which tied him for Houtenbrink has been a mainstay on the forward wall for four years. This year he moved to guard after three years at tackle, and has performed just as ably at the new position.

Two other guards will also end their careers after tomorrow's game. Both ADP's, John Penny comes from White Plains, while second among Eastern pass receivers. He also caught five touchdown throws which put him in a three way tie in the department. For the past two years Fivaz has also kicked extra points.

Fullback John Glezen is an ADP hailing from Cortland. So far this year he has averaged 6.9 yards per carry. Glezen has also been an outstanding punter during the past four years.

A DU from Waterloo, Fritz Carl Reckewell lives in Smithtown Branch. Although both weigh less than 170 pounds, they have repeatedly held their own against much heavier opponents.

The Continentals will also lose two tackles through graduation. They are Wayne Mahood, a Psi U from Evanstown, Illinois, and Tony Romano, a DU from Martins Creek, Pennsylvania. With their experience, they both have been valuable for their reliable play.

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Hoop Squad Drills For Denison Game; Outlook Is Bright

Five Lettermen Bolster Squad

Hamilton basketball team hopefuls started practice last week in preparation for the coming 1955-56 season opener with Denison College of Ohio on December 3 at a Union College tournament at Schenectady.

The team averaged nearly 70 points a game last year and finished the season with a respectable 8 and 7 record. However, with the return of last year's co-captain Peter Eckel, who had been sidelined for most of the season because of illness, and with improved reserve strength, Coach Ken Patrick has hopes of improving last year's record.

Leading candidates for starting berths on this year's squad are Captain Bob Moses, who is playing his fourth consecutive year of varsity basketball; Pete Eckel; sophomore returnees Frank O'Brien and John Glezen; and junior Al Olson. Other candidates for starting positions are senior Doug Robinson, playing his second year for the varsity, and 6'4" Bill Fivaz.

Coach Ken Patrick has also moved up Dick Purple, John Driscoll and Gordie Hall from last year's J.V. team in hopes of bolstering his present squad. In addition he has singled out freshmen Gerry Dirvin, "Baldy" Moore, Dave Ostrom and Al Reed for workouts with the varsity team.

Banking on speed and height, the varsity hopes to wage another successful campaign against teams which include Denison, Hobart, RPI, Williams, Rochester, St. Lawrence, Ithaca and Clarkson.

Football . . .

year's game.

All the Continentals with the possible exception of Hal Bruck will be in top shape. Jack McDonald will probably replace Bruck in the starting backfield. Another lineup change will see Dick Carlson, who showed up exceptionally well against Hobart, replacing Wayne Mahood at the right tackle post.

Indications point to a very even game. Hamilton will have a slight weight advantage in the line, but the Garnet backfield is heavier than the Continental's. Hamilton can counter against the Union belly-series with their own split-T option series. In the final analysis, the outcome of the game may well be decided by the mental attitudes of the two teams, since neither team can be given a distinct advantage on the basis of previous performances.

Students are requested to submit to Alan Shaler or Peter Eckel the names of any sub-freshmen they wish invited to the sub-freshman weekend to be held January 14.

Harriers Face Union Runners Hobart Beats Grid Team, 19-0

The Hamilton winning streak came to a sudden end Saturday, as a devastating Hobart attack produced three touchdowns while the Hamilton offense was held scoreless. It was the 19th consecutive game without a loss for the Statesmen.

The story of the game is in the statistics, which show the Statesmen ahead three to one in every department. They gained 318 yards with a seemingly unstoppable rushing game, and also scored two touchdowns on passes. On the other hand, the Continentals were held to a net gain of 83 yards on the ground and 12 yards via passes.

Time after time the Statesmen made sustained drives deep into Hamilton territory only to be stopped by sharp tackling on the part of the Continental secondary. Twice they lost the ball on fumbles. Hamilton's deepest penetration, to the Hobart 21, was ended by a clipping penalty, one of three sustained by the Continentals during the afternoon.

SCOREBOARD

Coast Guard	13	RPI	0
Haverford	19	Union	13
Hobart	19	HAMILTON	0
J. Hopkins	19	Swarthmore	6
Susq'hanna	21	Wagner	19

SEASON'S RECORDS

Hobart	6	0	1
HAMILTON	5	1	0
Union	3	4	0
Haverford	2	3	0
Swarthmore	2	4	0
RPI	1	5	0
Wagner	0	7	0
Kenyon	0	6	0

Hamilton lost three players during the game because of injuries, none of which, however, were too serious. Quarterback Earl Cline reinjured his ankle and was removed from the game in the second period. Halfback Hal Bruck received a leg injury and played only a few minutes in the second half. Joe O'Brien suffered a charleyhorse in the final quarter. When he left the game, it marked the first time in four games that he has had a rest.

Hobart's first score came in the first period after Cline's punt from his own six was returned by Lambert to the 22. Two plays later he fired a pass to Mendez in the left flat for the score.

The second score by the Statesmen came as the result of a sustained 80 yard march. Twelve plays after the drive started fullback Walt Harrison, who was outstanding all day on offense, scored on a three yard plunge. Bianchi kicked the extra point.

The final touchdown came on a 17 yard pass play from substitute quarterback Warren Kimber to halfback Mike Keenan. The two scoring passes, incidentally, were the only Hobart completions of the day.

Hobart's Carl Mendez shown being stopped by Joe O'Brien after reeling off large gain in last Saturday's contest won by Hobart, 19-0.

Tomorrow, the Continentals have their first chance since 1911 to defeat the Garnet of Union in cross country. The closest that the harriers have come to beating Union was in 1953 when they lost by a 30-25 count.

Last Saturday, Hamilton placed second to Buffalo State in the New York State Conference Cross Country meet held at Harpur College. The teachers placed first with 49 points, while the Blue compiled 58, four points better than third place Alfred.

Twelve colleges took part in the meet. All were Upper New York State small colleges. One up-set took place on the short four mile course. John Parillo, Union Harrier, beat Hamilton's Al Shaler to take the crown from the junior runner. Shaler placed second, twenty yards behind Parillo.

The record that had been set by Shaler the week before was broken by the first seven men to cross the finish line. The old record for the Harpur course of 22:13.5, was shortened to 21:09. Shaler himself finished ten seconds behind the Union runner.

Buffalo State to take the meet placed men 4, 5, 8, 9, 23, for the 49 point total. Barclay Ward was the second Continental to finish, taking seventh place in 22:07. Two other Hamilton men placed in the top fifteen finishers, all of whom were eligible for medals this year.

Coming in just three seconds apart were John McMartin and Milt Harkrader who scored 14 and 15. The fifth Hamilton man to cross the line was Chris Durham in 20th place, just nine seconds behind Harkrader. 78 runners participated in the run.

Union placed fourth in the meet with 111 points, 53 points behind the Continentals. Only two of their runners placed in the top fifteen. Hamilton had better middle runners than the Garnet. However Union running on their home course will be hard to beat. Parillo will be favored on the basis of his performance last Saturday, and due to the fact that he is running on his home course, a hilly, five mile run. However, Shaler can not be counted out.

Huntermen Lose to Hobart; Hopeful For Initial Victory at Union Saturday

Union College will provide the opposition for the Hamilton College soccer team tomorrow morning at 10:00 at Schenectady. The Hill booters have dropped six in a row this season but hope to cop the final game of the year from the Dutchmen, their traditional rivals.

In their last outing, the Continentals suffered a hard-luck defeat at the hands of the Hobart Statesmen by the score of 2-1. Braving the below-freezing weather, Hobart drew first blood in the first quarter on a penalty kick by Pica after 12 minutes of play.

Less than two minutes later Hobart scored its second and final goal of the day on a fluke play. Hobart's center forward Planck and inside Pica brought the ball down deep into Hamilton territory and Planck shot at the visitor's cage. Bob Lawder, in an attempt to intercept the shot, cut across the field into the path of the oncoming shot. However, instead of making a successful save, Lawder accidentally booted the ball into his own goal giving the home team a 2-0 bulge.

The second and third quarters were marked by poor passing and bad ball handling, but both teams were able to tighten up in the clutch, and neither squad scored. Outstanding in defensive play for Hamilton all afternoon was goalie Dave Smalley who had 18 saves.

Finally, in the last quarter the Buff-and-Blue offense began to move down field, and at 17:18 Paul Urffer booted home the only Hamilton goal of the afternoon via a penalty kick.

Federal Positions Open To Students

Students have until Nov. 18 to apply for the Federal Service Entrance Examination. Prof. Channing Richardson of the political science department has urged students interested in government service as a career to take the exam.

The examination tests applicants for vocational interests and administrative and executive abilities.

After a candidate has passed the test his name is placed on a roster according to his test score and remains there until he joins the government service. He can join the military services and complete his tour of duty before he accepts a federal service job if he wishes.

Successful candidates may enter the army, navy, and air force departments, the department of agriculture, department of the interior, department of health, education and welfare, department of the treasury, department of labor and department of commerce. Positions are also open in the federal trade commission, the federal power commission, and the veterans administration.

Starting salaries for these jobs are at $3670 and $4525. The test will be given in Utica on January 14.

Comets Oppose Philadelphia Team Tomorrow Night

Next home appearance of the Comets will be against the newest entry in the Eastern Hockey League, the Philadelphia Ramblers, who will play in Clinton for the first time this Saturday night at 8:30. Next Tuesday the Comets will play host to the Washington Lions.

STANDINGS

	W	L	T	Pts.
Philadelphia	3	3	0	6
New Haven	3	1	0	6
Comets	2	2	0	4
Baltimore	2	4	0	4
Washington	2	2	0	4
Johnstown	2	2	0	4

Last Monday Coach Jack Timmins announced the release of Jim Johnson. The popular defenseman had seen only limited action this fall. He seemingly had been unable to recover fully from the effects of a summer operation. Replacing Johnson will be 210 pound "Indian Joe" Nolan, who proved to be the hero of last Saturday's brawl with New Haven. The addition of Nolan is expected to draw more of the fans who like the rough hard-checking style of play.

League action so far this week has served to tighten up the loop standings. At present the six teams are separated by only two points.

Last Wednesday Washington took a two goal lead over the visiting Comets in the first period and made that margin stand up throughout the game for a 6-4 win. Rookie center Steve Smith scored three goals for his second hat-trick of the young campaign.

Led by Yvan Chasle's three goals, the New Haven Blades eased to a 5-2 decision over the Baltimore Clippers. The Blades built up a four goal edge by the second period, and coasted the rest of the way.

The Johnstown Jets evened their record at 2-2 by beating the Philadelphia Ramblers, 4-2. All scoring was done after a rough first period which saw a total of 14 penalties handed out, eight of them to the Ramblers.

Forensic . . .

The high school debaters will arrive on the Campus Friday for dinner, one round of debate and a viewing of the Charlatans' production, *Death of a Salesman.* Saturday will see three more rounds of debate with a cup and individual medals being awarded to the high school varsity team which compiles the best record.

November 12, the Debate Club is sending a varsity team of Pete O'Hara, Tom Lucik, Hurd Baruch and Al Prettyman to a tournament at St. John Fisher in Rochester.

There will be two trips for members of the Debate Club November 19. Bob Connor, Benjamin Sheerer, Neil MacLean, and Herm Harding will go to a tournament at Muhlenburg College. Two novice teams of Jim Bromley and Shedd Williams, and Bob Miller and Henry Wodtke will go to the University of Vermont tournament.

Hamilton Football Statistics

Player	Carries	Rushing	Passing	Total	Passes	Receiv.	Pts.
Cline	23	69	285	354	18 of 37	0	6
Bruck	53	320	0	320	0 of 1	2	30
O'Brien	51	355	0	355	0	9	24
Hansen	46	173	0	173	0	3	30
Hasseltine	19	-10	58	48	7 of 15	0	0
Slattery	8	13	0	13	0	1	0
Glezen	10	69	0	69	0	0	0
McDonald	21	87	0	87	0	0	6
McGann	10	16	53	69	4 of 10	0	0
Fivaz	0	0	20	20	1 of 5	6	17
Brewster	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
White	7	37	0	37	0	0	6
HAMILTON	250	1126	428	1554	31 of 70	31	127
OPPONENTS	246	658	506	1164	35 of 100	35	51

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Conservatives . . .

1956, Playboy Rabbit tied Marilyn Monroe, Georgi Malenkov, Dick Tracy, Al Capp, Alger Hiss, and Steve Allen. All received one vote. One student predicted John Mattingly would win in 'a smoke filled room.' The Classical Language department has denied any presidential ambitions for its chairman.

The least popular contest was that between Harriman and Nixon. Only 89 percent of the student body and 85 percent of the faculty voted on this question. The remainder either threatened to 'vote Communist,' 'Go to Canada,' 'Stay Home,' or invoked divine aid on the country with such comments as, 'Good Lord!,' 'God Forbid,' or 'God Help Us.'

The traditional votes for the Vegetarian Party, Townsend, and Norman Thomas were cast. Among the Hamilton students receiving write in votes were 'Ike' Williams; Sam Lang, '55; 'Bunsen' Burner; Hal Bruck; Tony Romano; and Herm Harding.

Dean Tolles made a strong showing with the class of 1959. He was the fourth most popular nominee for the Republican candidate in 1956. Tolles outran Henry Cabot Lodge, John Foster Dulles, Steve Allen, and that redoubtable idol of the freshmen, Mickey Mantle. Commenting on this Tolles stated, "I do not choose to run." In a less coolidgian moment Tolles explained that he enjoyed the "safe, comfortable and dry atmosphere of Hamilton College."

Eisenhower showed his traditional popularity with youth. The lower two classes gave Eisenhower a 50 percent lead over Stevenson. The upper two classes cut this margin to 30 percent, and in the faculty it disappeared entirely.

A *Spectator* survey taken approximately three years ago revealed College Hill opinion on the eve of the 1952 election. In this survey the student body favored Eisenhower over Stevenson by less than 10 percentage points (compared to this week's lead of 50). The faculty gave Eisenhower an even slighter edge. The comparison of these surveys seems to indicate a swing toward Eisenhower in the student body, and away from him in the faculty.

This is a summary of the results of the *Spectator* poll taken this week:

1. Which candidate in each of the following groups would you vote for if the 1956 election were being held today:

a. Eisenhower vs. Stevenson

	Faculty	Students
Eisenhower	45%	75%
Stevenson	55%	25%

b. Eisenhower vs. Harriman

Eisenhower	66%	86%
Harriman	33%	9%

c. Harriman vs. Nixon

Harriman	60%	32%
Nixon	25%	57%

d. Nixon vs. Stevenson

Nixon	25%	38%
Stevenson	75%	63%

2. What man would you most like to see each party nominate for President.

Democrats	Faculty	Students
1. Stevenson	75%	68%
2. Hariman	15%	11%
3. Kefauver	—	5%
Republicans		
1. Eisenhower	40%	68%
2. Nixon	15%	11%
3. Warren	30%	5%

3. Who do you think will be elected in 1956?

	Faculty	Students
Stevenson	60%	36%
Eisenhower	30%	34%
Nixon	5%	20%
Hariman	—	4%
Warren	5%	1%

A collection for the work of the Chapel Congregation will be taken this Sunday evening during the service.

"Grass" Scheduled For Next Tuesday

The public is invited to a showing of the feature length film *Grass* in the Chemistry Auditorium this Tuesday at 4:30.

Grass depicts the fall migration of an Iranian nomadic tribe, the Baktiari. Circulated by the Museum of Modern Art it will be sponsored by Professor Earl Count, head of the anthropology department.

Traveling from the high summer pastures across snow-covered mountains, the Baktiari seek shelter in the warm valleys. This yearly migration is caried on exactly as it has been for thousands of years. More than two decades ago, a pair of photographers traveled with the tribe and the pictures they took make up *Grass*.

Grass was shown on the Hill in 1941. Citing the "excellent student response" at that time Count said, "I recommend it to all those who like their social science flavored with action and drama."

Cobwebs Provide Ghostly Atmosphere In College's Perry Hiram Smith Hall

by Bob Miller

The wooden stairs creak as you ascend them; inside the room at the head of the stairs, eleven dusty beds and an old coal stove full of cigarette butts sit in silence, as if resenting your presence.

On the other side of this room is a larger gallery, ornamented with Greek columns, iron balconies and circular staircases, and stained glass windows and skylights. A strange rectangular pit takes up most of the floor. Dust and cobwebs are everywhere. What is this weird place? None other than the second floor of the Hamilton College Infirmary building, which today serves a purpose far removed from its original one.

Library Leaves Chapel

In 1865, most of the 13,500 books the College owned were shelved on the third floor of the Chapel. In that year, William Curtis Noyes bequeathed to the College his excellent law library of over 7,000 volumes. The result of this new acquisition was a fund drive, sponsored by the faculty, to raise money for a new library. Most of the necessary $25,000 was contributed by alumni living in the West, but half of it was donated by one man, Perry Hiram Smith.

In July, 1866, the cornerstone for the new Library was laid. The building was to be called Perry Hiram Smith Hall, in honor of its chief benefactor. Work progressed slowly, and, though the building was presented to the Trustees in 1868, it could not be occupied until 1872.

When finished, the building had a brick superstructure of Roman arches, which today reminds one of the catacombs. The main reading room extended from the ground floor.

Memorial Hall Included

In the front part of the building, above the present ward and waiting room, was a second floor, housing a "Memorial Hall and Art Gallery, designed to contain tables, portraits, busts, and other memorials of the founders of the College and its officers, benefactors, and distinguished alumni." The iron balconies at the sides enclosed three levels of reading alcoves, which could be reached by climbing the unusual circular stairways.

Unfortunately, the number of books in the library grew slowly, and for a long time the building was open for only two hours a day, four days a week. The *Hamilton Literary Monthly* for November, 1893, reports that there was never any noise in the library, and that students were being allowed to use the reading alcoves, "a privilege accorded to students in only a very few colleges." By 1898 the Library was heated and had reading tables.

Ibbotson Encourages Browsing

The first real librarian the College had was Dr. Ibbotson, who served from 1911 to 1930. Under his regime browsing was encouraged for the first time, and a tremendous number of new books was added to the collections.

In 1914 the present library was completed, and the Perry Smith Hall then stood empty until 1923, when it was remodeled for use as an infirmary. At that time the second floor was extended, and the strange man-made pit appeared. No one seems to know why it is there.

Dean Houses Infirmary

Perry Smith Hall has housed the infirmary ever since it was remodeled, with the exception of 1945 and 1946, when a ward was set up on the first floor of the Dean's house because of the expense of heating the Infirmary building.

Today, though the building is old, its equipment is up-to-date. It houses a six-bed ward and a two-bed ward, in addition to sleeping quarters for the cook and one nurse. Its special facilities include an X-ray machine, a darkroom, and a refrigerator for medicines.

The upstairs ward is now used only in case of epidemics, although for several years house-party dates slept in the beds. Currently, the Charlatans are rehearsing their Fall production, *Death of a Salesman*, in the old art gallery. Considering the atmosphere of the rehearsal quarters, it will not be too surprising if the cast should bring to its finished production the honest-to-goodness

Ambassador . . .

for many years. "His wide experiences have brought him into contact with many of the important questions of the last 20 years. This experience in general and his experience in the Far East in particular well qualifies him as a lecturer on this year's topic, the Bandung Conference," states Professor Count.

After his graduation from Victoria University College in 1906, Berendsen won a competitive examination and became a law cadet in the New Zealand Department of Education. As chief clerk of the Labour Department and Deputy Registrar of Industrial Unions, he later became thoroughly acquainted with many of his He was also selected as head of U. N., where he has always been vigorously opposed to the privilege of the veto, saying that it is "a great power and a great defect."

His ability in the Labour Department led to his appointment in 1928 as Secretary of State in External Affairs. He held this position until 1943, at which time he was appointed to the position of Permanent Head of the Prime Minister's Department.

After spending a year in Australia as New Zealand's diplomatic representative, Berendsen was

Other speakers who will participate in the series are Hu-Shih, Chinese writer and statesman; Norman Cousins, editor of the *Saturday Review of Literature*, who devoted an entire issue of that magazine to a report on Bandung; and Amiya Chakravorty, an Indian educator.

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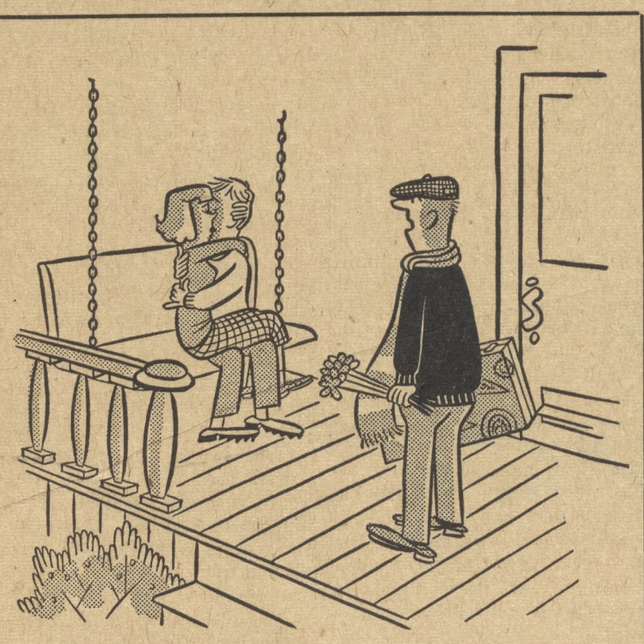

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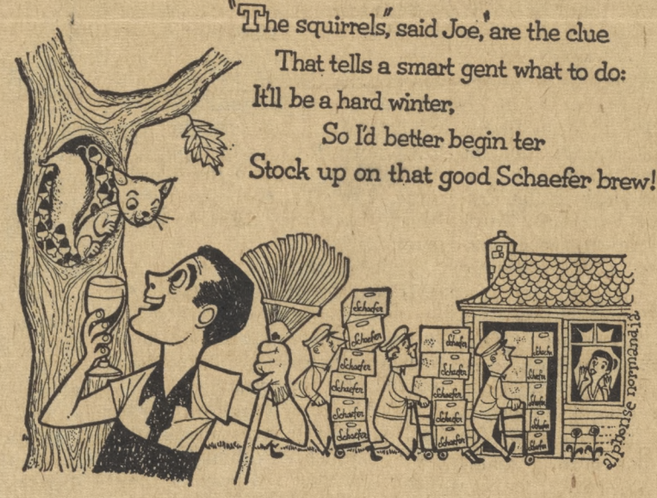
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